Accommodation in the Neyyattinkara District Hospital.

461. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*) : With reference to the Neyyattinkara District Hospital, will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of in-patients and out-patients treated during each of the years 1104, 1105, 1106 and 1107 up to date (30-11-1107) ;

(*b*) the number of beds available for in-patients in the Hospital; and

(*c*) whether representations have not been made to Government that the number of beds is insufficient and that a maternity ward should be opened ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) and (*b*) A statement * furnishing the information is laid on the table.

(*c*) Representations have been made in the S. M. P. Assembly about the insufficiency of beds and the opening of a maternity ward.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : The number of beds as I see from the statement furnished, is 46. May I know when this number was fixed ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I am not in a position to give the exact date ; it must have been fixed long ago.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): It is stated in the answer that representations have been made in the Assembly about this matter. May I know when such representation was first made in the Assembly?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : I see from the papers before me that a representation was made in the 26th session of the Assembly.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : Was any report called for in pursuance of the representation ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The Dewan appears to have given the following reply to the representation, in the Assembly itself with regard to the provision of a maternity ward in the Neyyattinkara Hospital :

> "It has been reported that a trained nurse has been recently appointed in the Hospital ; and therefore there is no necessity for a separate maternity ward."

And this has been communicated to the member also.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): My question is whether a report was called for in pursuance of the representation, if so what that report is ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The latest report of the Board is :

> "Representations have been made to Government in the Assembly that the number of beds is insufficient and that a maternity ward should be opened. But it will be seen from the statement appended that the number of beds had always exceeded the average attendance of in-patients. Midwifery cases are admitted and treated in the hospital. A maternity ward is not necessary. It may wait."

That is the latest report of the Board.

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MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : May I know the date of the report ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : 4th August 1932 ; they have submitted it in reply to this interpellation.

Complaints against the Police Inspector, Shertallai.

462. **MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number and nature of the complaints against the Police Inspector of Shertallai, Mr. Padmanabhan Tampi, forwarded to the higher authorities ;

(*b*) whether the Commissioner has made any local enquiry regarding the same ;

(*c*) whether the Police Commissioner was convinced of the gravity of the allegations against the Inspector ;

(*d*) whether an order transferring the said Inspector was passed ;

(*e*) whether the said order was cancelled before it was communicated ;

(*f*) whether again orders have been passed transferring the said Inspector ;

(*g*) whether the second order of transfer also was cancelled ;

(*h*) whether any information was received by the Commissioner that the said Inspector was obtaining signatures from the bazaar people in petitions to the effect that he should not be transferred from Shertallai ;

(*i*) whether the Kottayam District Superintendent of Police has recommended the retention of the Inspector at Shertallai for some time more ; and

(*j*) whether the District Superintendent of Police has ever visited Shertallai after the date on which the complaints against the Inspector arose ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Two to Government and one to the Commissioner of Police. Of these, one of the complaints to Government was from Messrs. Krishna Pillai Raman Pillai and Krishna Kurup Kesava Kurup of Shertallai praying for sanction to prosecute the Inspector. The other petitions addressed to Government and the Commissioner were from Mr. K. P. Madhavan Pillai, member, Legislative Council, saying that the Inspector is inexperienced and is not satisfactory in his work.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) and (*g*) These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*e*).

(*h*) No.

(*i*) Yes.

(*j*) Yes.

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Appendix X.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 461.**

Statement of in-patients and out-patients treated in the District Hospital, Neyyattinkara, during the years 1104 to 1107 M. E.

Year.	No. of in-patients.	No. of out-patients.	Daily average attendance.		No. of beds available.
			In.	Out.	
1104 M. E. ...	8[illegible]	32,591	24·91	183·79	46
1105 M. E. ...	1,006	31,780	32·76	198·31	
1106 M. E. ..	924	32,180	29·44	200·79	
1107 M. E. up to 32-11-1107. ..	714	26,866	26·69	188·90	